



Reply under 37 CFR 1.116 – Expedited Procedure - Technology Center 3736

Application No. 09/863,234
Docket No. 0101-P00636US4

Art Unit 3736
Examiner: Lacyk, J.


IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re: Argenta et al. : Group Art Unit: 3736
Serial No.: 09/863,234 : Examiner: Lacyk, J.
Filed: May 23, 2001 :
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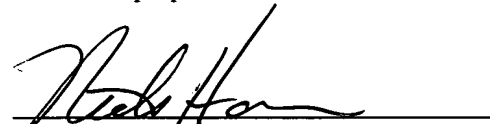
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Robin Dolan

Petition for Extension Under 37 CFR §1.136(a)

Applicant's undersigned Agent hereby petitions for an extension of time of **THREE** months beyond the time period set in the last office communication. The proper fee is enclosed as identified in the enclosed Fee Transmittal form.

April 20, 2004
Date of Certificate


Niels Haun

AMENDMENT AND REPLY

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated October 21, 2003, please amend the above-identified application, without prejudice or disclaimer, as follows:

04/23/2004 MAHMED1 00000017 09863234

02 FC:1253 950.00 OP

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03 FC:1202 882.00 OP



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Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

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